

1     **2.     Amendments to the specification.**

2     **A.     Kindly insert the following paragraph after line 15 of page 6:**

3             The knife is suitable typically for enabling an ear surgeon to make an incision in an  
4     ear canal so as to dissect and lift ear canal skin off a bony canal wall down to a tympanic  
5     membrane for allowing access to an inner ear space while evacuating blood to maintain  
6     visualization in a tight otologic surgical site using only the knife in one hand of the  
7     surgeon.